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Ephesians 1:3-6 **EPISTLE READING**

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God!

CONGREGATIONAL SONG All Things Bright and Beautiful ROYAL OAK

(Hymnal 147; v. 4)

TIME AS CHILDREN Xan Morgan

(Children 5th grade and younger come forward. Following Time as Children, kids (through 1st grade) will head to Children's Ministry. On the first Sunday of the month, 2nd-5th graders remain in worship for Stay for the Service Sunday - S3!)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Bill Foster

17th Century SPECIAL MUSIC Alleluia! arr. by Norah Phillips

Will Grapentine, soloist

Phil Christman

Let joyful praise to Heav'n ascent, for signs and tears have now an end.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The darksome night is past and gone, and glorious shines the rising sun.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

O Lord, we pray that far and wide in ev'ry heart love may abide.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

May strife and discord ever cease, and grant to us Thy Blessed Peace.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Now to our God let voices raise one grand united hymn of praise.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all men joy and praise now bring to Christ our Risen Lord we sing,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

*GOSPEL READING Mark 6:12-29 Bill Foster

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON After the Bad Thing Bill Foster

SILENT REFLECTION

Bill & Beth Foster

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *Passing of the Peace

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer ("debts" - hymnal page 896)

The Bread Jesu, meine Freude by J.S.Bach
The Cup Amazing Grace by Donald Hustad

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 557 (verse 1) Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS

BENEDICTION Bill Foster

POSTLUDE Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (Excerpt) Donald Hustad (1918-2013, American)

The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God in In celebration for the gift of life.

~ Jodylynn Wood ~

We pray for Bob Reynolds, Rob Snyder, Mervyn Juchartz, Esther Floyd, Betty Gerstler, Marilyn Marsh, Janet Sanewsky, Bill Nummy, Helga Mortensen, John Milbourne, David Gregg, Greg DuBois, Cindy Okarski, Keith Maurer, the McLeod family, Mike Kelly, Beth Granberry, Grange Burnside, the Sanford family, John Rowe, and Fay Key.



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We're glad you're here! Please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in an offering plate when it comes by later in the service. You can indicate any prayer requests you have and let us know if you'd like a name tag and/or our bi-weekly communication about the life of the church.

You may place your offering in one of the plates when they are passed. Or make your offering online using this QR code or via PayPal (@fbca2) and place a Connection Card indicating so in the offering plate.



Church service hearing aids are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Transformed during Pastoral Transition. We are in a season of transition as our pastor retired on June 16th. Throughout the summer months, we will welcome guest preachers each Sunday. Today's guest preacher is Bill Foster. If you are visiting today and would like more information about First Baptist Church, please reach out to Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org), our Director of Community Life. We have a pastoral care team in place for those seeking support; please connect with Kat Becker (office@fbca2org) as needed.

Our guest preacher today: Rev. William (Bill) Foster (he/his) is Vice President of Spiritual Care with Trinity Health of Livonia, Michigan, a post he has held since July of 2018. Prior to that, Bill was since 2002 Director and Regional Director of Spiritual Care for Trinity Health Southeast Michigan (Saint Joseph Mercy Health System), with administrative and teaching responsibilities within that region. He founded the CPE program accredited at St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor, which serves the Michigan Region. Formerly, Bill was Administrative Director of Pastoral Care at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center of Toledo, Ohio from 1992 to 2002. A board-certified chaplain in the APC (Association of Professional Chaplains), Bill is an ACPE Certified Educator ("CE"). He is an ordained minister and endorsed chaplain/chaplain educator with the American Baptist Churches, U.S.A. He earned his B.A. in history from Wake Forest University of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and his Master of Divinity in theology from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas. Bill is married to the Rev. Elizabeth (Beth) Jordan Foster. They have a son, Nick, married to Anisa, who are parents of Liam, Owen, and Audrey; and they have a daughter, Hannah.

You can pick up your children after worship. If you are visiting and would like more information about Children's Ministry, please connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

Youth (grades 6-12) during second hour is done for the 2023-2024 school year, but we have some activities planned for the Summer. If you would like more information about what's coming up for Youth Ministry or would like to be added to our email list, please contact Valerie Francia (valerie@fbca2.org).

Habitat for Humanity. This year FBC is joining with some 20 other churches to make a family's home ownership dream come true. As in the past twenty-three years, our support involves providing funds to buy the construction materials, volunteering and sometimes supplying lunches at the work site. Our FBC Saturday workday is June 8th, and our Friday workday is July 26th. The FBC volunteers will work with another congregation to provide labor and perhaps lunches on workdays wish to volunteer on other days, go to the Good News house website: H4H.org/goodnewsgroup for home page and H4H.org/goodnewsvolunteer for signing waivers. Make your check payable to First Baptist Church and note on the memo line that it is the Good News Habitat Houses. For more information and to volunteer with our group, contact: Scott Diels (hscottdiels@gmail.net).

Today's **Fellowship Offering** will go towards the **Fellowship Fund** which supports the American Baptist Home Mission Societies efforts to connect with and care for people in need. Please give generously.

The FBC Ladies' Book Club will next meet Tuesday, August 6th at 7:00p at Dana Larson's home. We will discuss *The Trackers* by Charles Frazier. Please contact Mary Gregg or Janice Stumpf to be added to the email list or for any questions. Hope to see you there!

Seek, serve, and grow with us! More information about these opportunities at fbca2.org/connect or use the QR code to the right.



July 14	Pizza in the Park after worship
July 18-20	Recharge Station during A2 Art Fairs
July 26	FBC Workday with Habitat for Humanity
August 6	FBC Ladies Book Club @7:00p